

Remarks

This Amendment and Reply responds to the Office Action mailed October 20, 2006. Claims 16-20, 27-33, and 35-39 were allowed. Claims 25 and 26 were rejected. Claims 25 and 26 have been cancelled. Claims 16-20, 27-33, and 35-39 are now pending.

Summary of the Office Action

In the Office Action, claims 25 and 26 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

Response to Rejections under 35 U.S.C. 112:

Claims 25 and 26 have been cancelled. The rejections of claims 25 and 26 under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, are now moot.

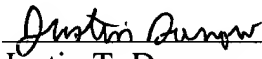
Conclusion

In view of the above amendment and remarks, applicants respectfully request that all rejections be withdrawn and that a notice of allowance be forthcoming. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney for applicants at 202-912-2160 for any reason related to the advancement of this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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